

Weather Report for 1920

Station at Red Cloud, Nebraska: Longitude 98 deg 37' Latitude 40 deg 5' elevation 1027. Length of record 26 years.

Temperature: Highest July 22 and 23d 101 deg. dates of 100 or more July 3d and 13th. lowest Dec 21, 14 deg below zero. Dates of below zero, Jan. 3d 2 below, Dec. 23 5 below, Dec. 27 5 below, Dec 28 3 below. Greatest daily range Sept. 21 53 deg, least variation 5 deg on Nov 7th.

Precipitation: Total for year 21.49 inches, mean 25 27 inches, we were shy 8.78 inches. Wettest month August with 5.02 inches. Driest month January with 0.66 of an inch. Greatest fall in 24 hours 1.62 in ches. At 15. Number of days with 0.01 inch or more 81, days clear 191, part cloudy 75, cloudy 100, snowfall 11.8 inches, thunderstorms 33, prevailing direction of wind N W 79 days, first killing frosts in fall Sept. 29 and 30, last in spring April 27 and 28. Chas. S. Ludlow, Observer.

BURIED 30 YEARS IN A TREE

Telegraph Bracket Completely Inclosed in Wood Is Found in California.

Thirty-six years ago a telegraph bracket and insulator was nailed to a Douglas fir tree near Arcata, Cal. A few years later a falling branch badly damaged it and the wire which it had been supporting was removed. The tree was growing thriftily, adding every summer to its diameter a new layer of woody material, and this growth gradually pushed out around the bracket on all sides, leaving it buried in the tree trunk.

At the end of 26 years the tip of the glass insulator finally disappeared from sight and the only trace of it that could still be seen was a scarcely noticeable lump which looked like nothing more than a healed-over branch stub. A few weeks ago the tree was felled and the wood manufactured into barrel staves. The screech of the saw which happened to graze the edge of the glass called attention to this unusual "fossil."

On splitting open the stave bolt the whole story became clear in all its details. The clearly defined annual rings of the rapidly growing trees form an unimpeachable historical record.

The wood of the insulator bracket is still in good condition and the oak of which it was made has received an unexceptional preservative treatment, being thoroughly impregnated with the resin of the surrounding fir. The interesting specimen can now be seen in the wood collection of the forestry division at the University of California.—American Forestry Magazine.

TURKS TURN DOWN BUTTONS

Refuse to Use Them Because They Are Made From Bones of Dogs That Formerly Roamed Streets.

When I was in Constantinople I made friends with several of the parish dogs that roved the streets, and though they had their drawbacks it always seemed to me that they were likable beasts, and not so great a nuisance as one would suppose they must be. I was therefore genuinely sorry when I learned that the remorseless march of progress had led to the determination to get rid of them. You will remember that the poor dogs were shipped off to various islands and there left to die, because the Turk would not transgress against his religion by killing them outright. That was five or six years ago and apparently the unhappy dogs all met their inevitable fate. Today numbers of Russian refugees are housed on the islands which were formerly the dogs' prison, and the American Red Cross authorities, who are caring for these particular refugees, have set their proteges to work at making buttons from the dogs' bones. I am not altogether surprised to learn that the Turks will not buy the buttons.—Near East.

Swelled Head.

"I'm delighted to see wages going up and up. It's a splendid thing as long as swollen pocketbooks don't make swollen heads."

The speaker was Lady Duff Gordon. She went on:

"I heard a story the other day about a man who brought a couple of friends home from the club and sent down word to the cook that he'd like a few cheese sandwiches."

"The maid who carried the message returned in a few minutes and said:

"The cook wishes me to tell you, sir, that she can't be disturbed, as she is giving a small after-theater supper party and is very busy cutting up the lobsters and opening the wine."

Raisin Imports Show Increase.

Nearly 8,000,000 pounds of raisins were exported from Malaga, Spain, to the United States during the first six months of 1920, a quantity that exceeds the total raisin export from that port for the seven-year period, 1913 to 1919, inclusive, according to the bureau of markets, United States department of agriculture. Practically the entire 1919 Malaga raisin stocks have been exhausted and there are no stocks on hand. The American consul reports that there is prospect of increased production. The raisin growers are looking for a continuation of the great demand for raisins in the United States.

"Quality" Job Printing

Pin Money

By VICTOR REDCLIFFE
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"Her twenty-fourth birthday," reflectively observed the father of Alva Trevor. "Her presence is sunlight and joy to the house and everybody in it, but we are not going to be here always, Bertha, and I don't like to think of that bright, beautiful spirit alone in the world in the years to come."

"In other words," submitted practical Mrs. Trevor, "you would like to see Alva married."

"And settled down and happy with a husband who will love her and care for her as we have done. Yes, frankly that is the ardent wish of my heart!"

"Well, I hope we have not stood in her way, that we have not absorbed her so to speak to the detriment of an average girl's opportunity and chances of finding the right lover and husband. Truth is she loves her home, her even, happy life. Don't worry, the right one will come along when fate elects."

David Trevor was in fairly comfortable circumstances only, but the family stood high socially and Alva was a general favorite with neighbors and acquaintances. She had learned the happy part in life by sacrificing self for service. On the contrary, her close friend, Blanche Arlington, was her direct opposite as to this feature. But the latter was vivacious, truly beautiful and attracted beaux as does the flame the moths. Myron Wilbur, the coveted part of their social set, was agreeable to both of the young ladies acceptable to either, but wavered as to the choice he would make should that happy question ever arise. His mother was a woman of wealth, he had a good position and he had come into the lives of Alva and Blanche in a way that showed that they of all others were awarded by him a settled chief distinction.

"Miss Arlington is charming, is educated and refined," his mother had told him, "but she is practically a social butterfly only. I think Miss Trevor loves home life, which is an auspicious token. I see you are interested in the two young ladies. If it is serious, Myron, study both well. I like a move that Miss Trevor has inaugurated recently. She has started a tea room. They call it a pin money proposition among her ambitious group of helpers, but it sets a glowing example for those in humbler spheres to make the best of life they can in a practical way."

The idea of a tearoom had not been original with Alva. She had read in the papers of its adoption by a ladies' aid society in another city. The enterprise had been placed upon a business basis strictly. It led to the employment and encouragement of some deserving poor as cooks and waitresses.

Alva had coaxed a rich old resident to donate an unoccupied store he owned. Then she and five girl friends clubbed together to make it presentable and inviting. It was current rumor when the shades were down for a week that an overall party was in progress in secret, and that the inside decorating, the enameled wood-work, cheap tables made beautiful and the general taste and elegance finally demonstrated were due solely to the individual efforts of the pretty group.

Myron Wilbur was among the first to patronize the little gem of a place. The ambitious young ladies were eager to exemplify the merits of their household training, and the place expanded into a popular meeting place for beaux and belles and began to serve most excellent dinners. It was the third day after the tea room had opened that Blanche, who had been away on a visit, sallied into the place radiant in attire but fretful of tone.

"I don't know why you didn't let me take a part in this venture," she observed.

"It isn't a venture. It's a grand success!" resented a chorus of pride and confidence. "You have your chance now, Blanche. We shall be busy as bees in half an hour. Go and get an apron and serve one of the tables."

"I don't fancy menial work like that," observed Blanche loftily "Alva, can't I be cashier?"

There was a trifle of wrangling, but Blanche prevailed. She was indeed an attractive addendum to the place, pretty as a picture, all smiles for the young men, posing as the bright particular star of the galaxy of pretty girls whom it was a pleasure to meet.

But Blanche could not resist the temptation of flirtation, and when her first day was over she had her girl friends in a fever of jealousy over her wiles exerted to influence the attention of their chosen lovers. Myron Wilbur, coming in twice that day, witnessed a true presentation of a vain, artificial being engrossed only in prizing the admiration of self.

He witnessed, too, the kindly efforts of Alva, initiating two poor girls as waitresses, more than sharing the work to be done, and he told his mother of his impression. The famed tea room was closing its doors for the evening, when, perhaps purposely, he passed it to come face to face with Alva.

"We have just declared a dividend," she chatted joyously. "All hands want their pin money so honestly earned, but first we donated fifty per cent of the profits to a worthy charity."

Myron saw her home. At the garden gate, under the twinkling stars he kissed her for the first time, for he had made his choice and was content.

NO ACTION TAKEN ON SETTLEMENT WITH WATTS

The City Council met in regular session last evening, being called together by the president, Councilman Datman, in the absence of Mayor Amack, owing to illness. All members were present and after the minutes of the December meetings were read and approved, Mr. Watts, of the Watts Construction Company, appeared in person for the purpose of final settlement of Paving District No. 4. However, owing to the absence of Mr. Fulton of the firm of Grant, Fulton & Letton, one of the engineers who assisted City Engineer Geo. H. Overing in supervising the work, no action was taken in the matter.

After allowing the following claims the Council adjourned.

B. R. Frazier	\$200.00
W. A. Patten	160.00
A. Clark	135.00
Bert Perry	130.00
S. R. Florance	292.87
O. C. Teel	45.76
Sam Mountford	150.00
American Ins. Co.	27.90
C. R. Lewis	84.00
Platt & Frees Co.	42.32
McGraw Co.	74.75
Worthington Pump Co.	31.07
Mutual Oil Co.	565.89
Mid West Elec. Co.	152.50
Crane Co.	32.91

Baptist Church Notes

Preaching at 11 a. m.
Sunday School at 10 a. m.
There was no preaching last Sunday evening on account of the meetings at the Brethren church and there will be no services next Sunday evening as we will meet with the Brethren at that time.
Rev. I. W. Edson will preach for us Sunday morning and his many old friends will be pleased to hear him.
We expect Chaplain White will be on the field some time next week.

Fill Your Own Niche.
The rose has one mission and the apple blossom another. You cannot do another's work. Do your own and be content.—Exchange.

Dr. W. H. McBride

DENTIST
OVER STATE BANK
Red Cloud, Nebraska

Dr. R. E. CAMP

CHIROPRACTOR
PHONES: Office 76-M
IND. Residence 150-Y
Office 2 Blocks North of Fireman's Hall
RED CLOUD, NEBRASKA

E. S. Garber

Wall Paper, Paints, Oils and Varnish
PICTURE FRAMING
(Work Guaranteed)
Electrical Goods of all Kinds
Will Wire Your House And Furnish You with Fixtures

The Margin of Safety

Is represented by the amount of insurance you carry.
Don't lull yourself into a fancied security.
Because fire has never touched you it doesn't follow that you're immune Tomorrow—no today, if you have time—and you better find time—come to the office and we'll write a policy on your house, furniture, store or merchandise.
—LATER MAY BE TOO LATE—
O. C. TEEL
Reliable Insurance

Effect of Habit on Some People.

A West Dallas widow says that the only reason why she would ever take another husband is because it is so hard to stop marrying when once begun.—Dallas News.

FARM LOANS

If you want a farm loan call and see me for I am ready to make loans with absolutely no delay.
J. H. BAILEY.

Pop Corn!

Finest Grade Shelled Pop Corn ever brought to the city. A big consignment but its going fast at

8c lb.

Good, sweet, pure pop corn makes kids happy and husky and you got to acknowledge grown-ups like it to. Get your supply now.

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Red Cloud's Leading Mercantile Establishment

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FRANK R. HUGHES & CO.
CLEANING DYEING REPAIRING
Phones—Red 88—193 M Red Cloud, Nebraska
We Call and Deliver We Pay Return Charges on Out of Town Work

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BATTERIES

We received the following notice of importance to every motorist

THE ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERY COMPANY
PHILADELPHIA

To Exide Distributors:

The price of Exide Batteries for automobile starting and lighting is reduced 28 per cent, effective January 1.

This applies to all sizes and types.

There will be no reduction in quality. The same high quality of materials, workmanship, and service that has made Exide the accepted standard will be maintained.

Signed The Electric Storage Battery Company

This announcement speaks for itself. At the old price the long-lasting Exide was an ECONOMY. At the radical reduction of 28 per cent no motorist need go without EXIDE QUALITY. WE HAVE THE RIGHT SIZE FOR YOUR CAR.

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CARL S. McARTHUR, Proprietor Farmers Union Bldg., Red Cloud, Neb